

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No.: 2004\_0246

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Title: PLATING METHOD AND APPARATUS

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form  
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2. ☐ Small Entity Status is hereby asserted.

3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages: 25]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to Sequence Listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix.

- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
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4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets: 19]

5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages: 3]

a.1. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)

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b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named  
in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet (see 37 CFR 1.76)

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or computer program (Appendix)

8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)

- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
- ii. ☐ Paper
- c. ☐ The paper and computer readable copies are identical

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)  
☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  
☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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(if foreign priority is claimed)
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17. ☒ Other Claim of Priority under 119

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below, and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No. 09/582,919

Prior Application Information Examiner William T. Leader

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For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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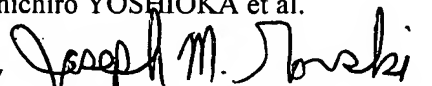
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